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SEROLOGIC TESTS FOR SYPHILIS

Standards for licensing in Montana require that all hospitals rated as having a 40-bed or greater capacity shall have the services of an approved laboratory readily available and they shall include serological tests for syphilis.

Revised Codes of Montana 1947 Title 69, Chapter 41:69-4611 Section 107. The department shall approve a standard serological test for syphilis. It shall also approve laboratories which may make such tests. On request the department shall make laboratory tests required by this chapter without charge. The department shall destroy the results of a test if an erroneous report is made.

Reasons for "on-request" free testing from the state laboratory include:

- a. A request for special study of a serum by the Fluorescent-Treponemal Antibody-Absorption test (FTA-ABS, see Laboratory Bulletin No. 2).
- b. Confirmation of a weakly-reactive or reactive VDRL obtained by one of the approved laboratories.
- c. An STS on a ward of the State or Federal government or if a person is unable to pay for the test.

Ordinarily a routine serological test for syphilis (pre-marital, pre-natal, physical examination, food-handler, etc.) should be sent to an approved laboratory in your area. Here is a listing of such laboratories:

Location and Name of Laboratory*ANACONDA

St. Ann's Hospital (1)**

BAKER

Fallon Memorial Hospital (2)

BILLINGS

Billings Deaconess Hospital (5)
St. Vincent's Hospital (6)
Blood Services of Montana (9)

BOZEMAN

Physicians Laboratory Service (19)

BUTTE

St. James Community Hospital (16)
Murray Clinic Laboratory (18)
Silver Bow General Hospital (17)
David F. Hall, Office (15)

Location and Name of LaboratoryCHINOOK

Leeds Clinic Laboratory (34)

CONRAD

St. Mary's Hospital (33)

DEER LODGE

Montana State Pulmonary Disease Center (41)

DILLON

Beaverhead Laboratory Foundation (43)

FORT BENTON

St. Clare Hospital (47)

GLASGOW

Glasgow Clinic Laboratory (51)
Smith Clinic Laboratory (52)

* All laboratories are approved for the VDRL slide test (Venereal Disease Research Laboratory).

** This is the laboratory file number in the Microbiology Laboratory Division of the Montana State Department of Health. OVER

GLASGOW, Cont.

Francis Mahon Deaconess Hospital (49)

GLENVIEW

Glendive Community Hospital (61)

GREAT FALLS

College Park Medical Laboratory (58)

Columbus Hospital Laboratory (55)

Great Falls Clinic Laboratory (53)

Keenan & Allred Clinic Laboratory (54)

McGregor Clinic Laboratory (59)

Montana Deaconess Hospital Lab. (57)

HAMILTON

Marcus Daly Memorial Hospital (62)

HARLOWTON

Wheatland Memorial Hospital (70)

HAVRE

J. J. Wier, M.D., Laboratory (65)

Havre Clinic Laboratory (66)

Northern Montana Hospital (67)

HELENA

St. John's Hospital (73)

St. Peter's Hospital (74)

KALISPELL

Kalispell General Hospital (83)

LEWISTOWN

St. Joseph's Hospital (85)

LIBBY

St. John's Lutheran Hospital (86)

LIVINGSTON

Livingston Memorial Hospital (87)

MILES CITY

Holy Rosary Hospital (92)

Garberson Clinic Laboratory (93)

MISSOULA

E. G. Buchanan, M.D., Laboratories (101)

Missoula City-Co. Health Department (99)

Missoula General Hospital (96)

St. Patrick's Hospital (97)

Western Montana Clinic (100)

POLSON

St. Joseph's Hospital (108)

ST. IGNATIUS

Holy Family Hospital (114)

SHELEY

Toole County Hospital (116)

SIDNEY

Community Memorial Hospital (118)

WARM SPRINGS

Montana State Hospital (122)

WHITEFISH

Whitefish Clinic Laboratory (124)

Whitefish Memorial Hospital (123)

WOLF POINT

Trinity Hospital (126)

TOTAL APPROVED LABORATORIES - 51

Also approved for performance of tests in compliance with the Pre-marital Laws of Montana are:

U.S. Public Health Service Laboratories

U.S. Armed Forces

Approved Laboratories of any State Department of Health including Dist. of Columbia

Provincial Public Health Laboratories of Canada

City of New York Health Department Laboratory

Laboratories Licensed by the Public Health Service under the Clinical Laboratories

Improvement Act of 1967 (P.L. 90-174, 42 U.S.C.-263a)